[26th November 1928

Mr. G. HARISARVOTTAMA RAO :—" May I know, with regard to this particular channel, whether the distributor taking off from this so-called water course was not repaired by Government ? "

The hon. Sir NORMAN MARJORIBANKS :—" It is a sluice that was repaired Sir."

Mr. G. HARISARVOTTAMA RAO :—"I am speaking of the distributary channel that takes off from this so-called water course. Was it or was it not repaired by the Government and a masonry work erected thereon to carry the water almost to the verge of the river Tungabhadra ? "

The hon. Sir NORMAN MARJORIBANKS :—" I must ask for notice, Sir."

Mr. G. HARISARVOTTAMA RAO :—" May I know, Sir, whether the vent-way under question was reduced in about 1921 and, as open cuts are indiscriminately made, whether the ryots at the tail end are not suffering badly ? "

The hon. Sir NORMAN MARJORIBANKS :—" I do not know. "

Mr. G. HARISARVOTTAMA RAO :—" May I ask the hon. the Revenue Member whether at any time Mr. Venkayya was aware of any promise made by the ryots and whether at any jamabandi he was told that there was a promise by the ryots that they would construct this channel ? "

The hon. Sir NORMAN MARJORIBANKS :—" I could not say, Sir, what Mr. Venkayya's knowledge might be."

Legislative

Members of the Legislative Council appointed to posts under Government.

* 611 Q.—Mr. S. SATYAMURTI : Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) the names of the Members of this Council who have been appointed to posts under Government or have been nominated to honorary offices since the beginning of this Council ;

(*b*) the nature of the posts or the offices to which they have been appointed or nominated ; and

(*c*) the reasons why they were preferred to others ?

A.—(*a*), (*b*) & (*c*) A list [a] furnishing the information is laid on the table.

Mr. S. SATYAMURTI :—" Considering that 53 hon. Members of this Council have been rewarded by the Government in one way or other, may I know whether the Government in making these appointments have ever considered the possible effect on Members of this Council of such distribution of favours among them ? "

The hon. Sir NORMAN MARJORIBANKS :—" They are not favours, Sir ; they are duties."

(Mr. S. Satyamurti : Oh !)

Loans

Applications for loans for sinking wells from the Chingleput district.

* 612 Q.—Mr. C. N. MUTHURANGA MUDALIYAR : Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that in the district of Chingleput applications for loans are not promptly attended to by the officers concerned ; and

[a] Printed as Appendix II on pages 116—118 infra.